

2005 – 2006 Annual Report

Each fiscal year, EECM presents a summary of its activities. Once again, thanks to kind donors, volunteers, congregations, and other supporters, EECM contributed significantly to the health and welfare of our community. Once again, the numbers speak for themselves.

EECM Hunger Services provide for the most basic of people's needs, nourishing their health and well-being, as well as their sense of hope.

- EECM's **Soup Kitchen** served 25,757 lunches to anyone needing a hot, nutritious noonday meal. This is an average of 99 people served per day.
- Through the **Food Pantry**, an average of 455 households per month received emergency groceries and resource information.
- Homebound / elderly clients who are unable to prepare their own meals received 23,720 meals through EECM's **Meals on Wheels** program. Meals are provided to approximately 87 clients daily.

EECM Housing Services continue to offer much-needed assistance. Occupancy at the Men's Shelter continues to exceed the number of beds the facility was designed to hold.

- The **Men's Shelter** provided 10,533 nights of shelter to 459 individual men ages 18 - 79. Services include hot evening meals, breakfasts, shower and personal facilities, and case management.
- At least 101 of the men were military veterans, and at least 149 had mental health problems or were mentally challenged. By the time they left the Shelter, 241 men had income from employment.
- **PennFree Housing** served 44 adults, 10 of whom have children. This 12-month program provides housing and support for men and women recovering from substance abuse.

- **Safe Haven** provided housing and support for eight chronically homeless, mentally ill men.
- Twenty-four men participated in **Bridge Housing's** 12-month program for homeless men making the transition from emergency shelters to independent living.
- The **Drop-In Center** welcomed homeless and mentally ill people each weekday, giving them a place where they could socialize, enjoy the Center's resources, and obtain assistance from EECM case managers and staff from local medical and social service providers.
- At the **Orr Compassionate Care Center**, 116 men and women who were unable to return to their former housing arrangements after being discharged from a hospital received 3,191 nights of non-medical respite care.

EECM Children & Youth Services help young people succeed in school and in their adult lives. Programs help youth cope with their environment, explore positive alternatives, and grow through tutoring / mentoring experiences.

- **School Programs** served more than 900 at-risk elementary, middle, and high school students, providing tutoring, recreation, life skills, alcohol / tobacco / drug prevention, and violence prevention activities.
- **Summer Day Camp** provided five weeks of education and fun for 250 active youngsters.
- **Youth Business Initiative** provided hands-on entrepreneurial training for local high school youth. Students planned, developed, and raised funds for a community arts festival.

Year Ended June 30, 2006

